



Washington State  
Department of Health  
Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery  
Meeting Minutes  
January 28, 2005

The meeting of the Washington State Board of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery was called to order by Daniel Dugaw, DO, Chair, at 9:07 a.m. The meeting was held at: St. Francis Hospital, 34515 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue South, Education Room, Federal Way, Washington 98003.

Board Members Present: Daniel Dugaw, DO, Chair  
Larry Smith, DO, Vice-Chair  
Thomas Shelton, DO  
J. Ross Tanner, DO  
William Gant, Public Member

Staff Present: Blake Maresh, Executive Director  
Arlene Robertson, Program Manager  
Melissa Burke-Cain, Assistant Attorney General  
Maryella Jansen, Deputy Executive Director  
Lisa Noonan, Program Manager  
Holly Rawnsley, Program Manager  
Judy Young, Staff Attorney

Open Session

1. Call to Order
  - 1.1 Approval of Agenda  
The agenda was approved as published.
  - 1.2 Approval of Minutes  
The November 19, 2004 meeting minutes were approved as written.

2. (Open Session) Settlement Presentations
  - 2.1 Lawrence J. Greenblatt, DO - Docket No. 04-05-A-10080P (Case #2003-08-00050P) -  
The proposed Stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Agreed Order was presented by Judy Young, Staff Attorney.

Deliberations were held in Executive Session. The respondent will be advised of the Board's decision by mail.

- 2.2 Ronald Brockman, DO - Docket No. 01-09-A-10250P - A modified order reflecting completion of a condition in the December 14, 2003 Modification Order was presented by Judy Young, Staff Attorney.

Deliberations were held in Executive Session. The respondent will be advised of the Board's determination by mail.

Bill Gant, reviewing board member, recused himself from participation in the deliberations.

3. Rules
  - 3.1 Review proposed pain management rules
    - 3.1.1 Draft rules-Osteopathic Physician
    - 3.1.2 Draft rules-Osteopathic Physician Assistant
    - 3.1.3 Guidelines for Management of Pain
    - 3.1.4 Significant Legislative Rules Analysis
    - 3.1.5 Small Business Economic Impact Statement

Issue

In addition to the draft rules, the supporting documents were reviewed and discussed.

Action

It was determined that (2) of WAC 246-853-540 and WAC 246-854-150 be removed. It was felt removal of the one sentence would clarify those sections. The rules were approved to be scheduled for hearing.

4. Physician Assistant Program Approval
  - 4.1 Red Rocks Community College, Lakewood, Colorado

Issue

Information about the Red Rocks program and verification of accreditation by ARC-PA were reviewed.

Action

The Red Rocks Community College physician assistant program was approved.

5. Practice Issues

5.1 Delegation of medical procedures, duties or tasks to unlicensed individuals.

Issue

The Medical Quality Assurance Commission is starting the process to develop a policy relative to physician delegation of medical functions, duties, or tasks to unlicensed individuals and is soliciting input from associated professions.

Action

The Board indicated this was a very complicated issue. The Board requested updates be made to keep it apprised of any decision made by the Medical Commission.

6. Program Manager Reports

6.1 Budget Report

Ms. Robertson reported that the budget balance has exceeded the recommended amount to be kept as a reserve. This has been accomplished sooner than the fee study predicted. As a result the Department is reviewing the possibility of reducing the renewal fees for the next biennium. Staff will keep the Board advised as the fee study process moves forward and a determination is made on fee reductions.

6.2 Washington Physicians Health Program Reports

6.2.1 December 2004 Statistical Information

6.2.2 Internal Audit Report

Information was provided on participation of osteopathic physicians/physician assistants in the program. Results of a Department of Health audit validating how statistics are being reported was shared with the Board. No further action was necessary.

6.3 Federation of State Medical Boards Annual Meeting -  
Serving the Public: Keeping the Trust

Determine attendance for the annual meeting.

Drs. Smith and Tanner expressed interest in attending the upcoming annual meeting. Staff will prepare the paperwork for Department approval.

6.4 Panel Seeks Better Disciplining of Doctors -  
NY Times Article

This article was provided for information only.

7. Executive Director Reports

Mr. Maresh updated the Board on the transition. He indicated the Legislative Session has started slowly. The only bill that Section 5 has reviewed has been one relative to Naturopathy.

Closed Session

8. Disciplinary Case Reviews - Reviewing Board Member Reports

<u>CASE NUMBER</u>	<u>CASE DISPOSITION</u>
2004-02-0002OP	Closed no cause for action; evidence does not support a violation.
2004-04-0003OP	To Legal-issue a Statement of Charges.
2004-07-0010OP	Closed no cause for action; evidence does not support a violation.
2004-09-0003OP	To Legal-issue a Statement of Charges.
2004-12-0008OP	Closed no cause for action; evidence does not support a violation.
2004-12-0002OP	Closed below threshold.

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2004-09-0005OP  
2004-11-0001OP  
2004-11-0003OP  
2004-11-0007OP  
2004-11-0008OP  
2004-12-0003OP

8.1 Statement of Allegations/Stipulation to Informal  
Disposition presentations

8.1.1 Docket No. 04-11-A-1015OP (Case #2004-06-0001OP)

The signed Stipulation to Informal Disposition was presented by Judy Young, Staff Attorney.

The Board made its determination in Executive Session. The respondent will be advised of the Board's decision by mail.

9. Compliance Issues  
There were no compliance issues.

10. Application Review  
Two applications were reviewed and approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

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Arlene A. Robertson  
Program Manager

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